FRANCE RECALLS HER GOVERNOR OF INDO-CHINA.

So Used His Office to Send Information to a Parts Editor—The News of His Re-movni Makes a Sensation—Trouble Ahead When the Chamber Assembles Again,

Panis, Dec. 29.-Great sensation has been sed in political circles by the Cabinet de-Governor-General of Indo-China. The news was like the bursting of a bomb in the lobbles of the Chember. Nobody knew the exact cause of the severe measure. The official note said nothing, except that the Cabinet council had unanimously decided to recall M. Lanessan because he had violated his official duties by communicating an important State document to strangers. THE SUN correspondent was able to discover the

M. Lanessan was intimate with M. Raoul Canivet, editor of Ports, an Opportunist newspaper. M. Canivet is now in prison, charged with blackmail. The investigating magistrate, M. Dopffer, while searching the convict's papers, discovered letters and documents sent to Canivet by M. Lanessan, and especially a long memsymment in favor of Lancasan's own friends and ers. M. Dopffer immediately communiated the letters and document to the Minister of Justice, who last night had a long conference with Premier Dupuy. The recall of M. Lanesediately resolved upon at the meet ing of the Cabinet early to-day.

M. Dupuy described the conduct of M. Lanca-

an. Without a moment's hesitation all the Ministers present decided upon the recall. Nevartheless, they secretly agreed not to give to the press the real reason for the severe measure. The Government at once cabled to M. Lanessan not only his recall but the nomination of his secor, ordering him to leave immediately after transferring all the business to the Chief

The new Governor-General, M. Rousseau, is now a State Councillor, and was formerly Deputy for the Finistère department. He is extremely able, energetic, and honest. The deon of the Cabinet will have an echo when Parliament meets on Jan. 8. Important debates will certainly occur touching upon the Riviers scandal and the Indo-China affair. There will also be more blackmailing scandals

and a small new Panama affair in which the South France Railway Company figures. The rumored bribery of members of the last Ministry, the fight between the Socialists and moderate Republicans, and other sensational topics indicate troubled waters for France's Government.

ROSEBERY'S POLICY.

LONDON, Dec. 29 .- Lord Rosebery has sum moned a meeting of the Cabinet Council on Jan. 14, and has secompanied his summons with a request that the Ministers make arrangements to remain in London thereafter. The Conservative whips have already intimated to the Tory members of the House of Commons who are now abroad that they should not fail to be present at the opening of the next session of Parliament. The leaders on both sides recognize the fact that the stress of the seesion will at that time be the greatest. If the Government sur-vive the debate on the address in reply to the th from the throne they may tide over the ion, but otherwise they will be in constant danger of falling. The danger of the Redmondite tion of the Irish party throwing their votes to the Conservatives has lessened considerably under the influence of the extension of the Government's pro-Irish policy. The McCarthyite leaders have received explicit Ministerial assurance that the principle of home rule will be reaffirmed at the coming session of the party ongress, and that it will be made the first plank in the party platform. Besides Mr. Morley's Land bill in the interest of the tenants, th special measures which have been taken to yert famine in Ireland have aroused a feeling f warm approval there. The Government has already made advances f money, without interest, to local Boards for

aver Tamine in Freiand have aroused a feeling of warm approval there are any made advances to the purpose of purchasing seed potatoes, and the Boards are also authorized to make advances to be repaid in two annual installments. Mr. John Redmond will return from his voyage to the Cape Colony next week, at which time the period of Mr. William O'Brien has uncerthed a shrewd dodge on the part of the Marquis of Silgto teat to the part of the Marquis of Silgto teat the state and the valuation of a tenant is under £4 the landiord must pay the poor rates instead had from the application, and the shading as tenants in common, and in this way he is enabled to skin even the one-pound holders out of the poor rates. The Marquis of Silgd draws £20,000 a year from his estates in freshand, and from this exposure it is easy to see how he does it.

Lowdon, Dec. 29.—The condition.

Lowdon, Dec. 29.—The condition of Lord Randolph Churchill is return to consciousness has lessened his immediate danger. Otherwise the gravity of his condition is unaitered. At midnight his doctors reported that there had been no change since the last bulletin.

The Late Mrs. Astor.

Lowdon, Dec. 29.—The body of Mrs. William Waldorf Astor was placed on board the selling of the Aurania as noon to-day the siling of the Aurania as n

been towed to Holyhead, having dragged from her anchorage and lost her sails. A number of ves-sale in the barbor of Holyhead broke from their anchorage last night and were seriously dam-anchorage last night and were seriously dam-aged by coming into collision with one another.

Ismali Pashs Dying.

VILLENA, Dec. 29.-Ismail Pasha, son of Ibrahe grandson of Mehemet All and ex-Chedive of Egypt, is dying in Constantinople.

Notes of Foreign Happenings. The United States has conceded Italy's request to the admission of Italian sulphur duty free. The King and Queen of Italy will receive the New Year's greetings of the diplomatists and their wives this evening.

The supporters of the late Francis II., last ling of Naples, have issued a manifesto in lome declaring Count de Caserta his successor. The Prince of Wales will start for the Riviera at the end of February. While there he will live he most of the time on board his yacht Britan-

The proposed journey of Cardinal Vaughan to Rome has been delayed by a severe attack of bronchitis. If he is sufficiently recovered he will start on Jan. 10.

The guests at the Queen's Christmas party comprised the whole of the families of the Duke of Connaught and Prince Henry of Battenberg. Prince and Princess Christian, and the Duchess of Albany and her son.

FLUSHING, Dec. 20.—The mystery attending the disappearance of Frank White deepens with night: "I have given up all hope of ever seeing my son alive again. I am convinced that he was attacked and murdered on Christmas night as he was entering his home, and that his body resis beneath the ice of Finshing Creek."

Mys. White has the most implicit confidence in the integrity of Menke, with whom her son went driving on Christmas Itay and who claims to have left White at the door of his home. "He and my son," said she," were lifeting friends, and, I believe, would have died for each other,"

PROVIDENCE, R. L. Dec. 20.—The case of Mil-ionaire William H. King was again before the Supreme Court to-day on the petition of Mrs. E. A. Webster Boss to be made a party to the suit. The Court decided that Mrs. Mosemust first disclose her identity, and the hearing was post-pound till Jan. 3 for that purpose. Affidavita were presented by the defendants, one of which exacts that Mrs. Rose was a native of beging in-ternal that Mrs. Rose was a native of beging inTHE WASHINGTON MASS.

Perplexities of the Capital's Overelaborat Street Flan, WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Seeing in THE SUN a description of some of New York's erratio

streets brings to mind the curious fact, which has somehow escaped newspaper notice, that while the plan on which Washington was laid out is one of the simplest imaginable on paper this is one of the most embarrassing of cities to circumambulate. No reference is made here to the "magnificent distances" for which Washington at one time enjoyed a distinction. That is an old story, and extreme distances here are necessarily much less than those between extreme points in New York or Philadelphia. The embarrasament mentioned springs from Frenchman's too free use of the compass and parallel rulers and from that paradox—the

over-elaboration of clearness.

When Washington was plotted in 1791 by that eccentric French engineer, Pierre Charles L'Enfant, the Capitol was taken to be the initial point of everything, and was designed to stand on a plateau overlooking a little stream called the Tiber. Like New York's canal, the Tiber has disappeared in the unpoetical but useful form of a sewer, but the plateau still retains its natural dignity and its Roman title-that of Capitol Hill. The Capitol building was laid out by the four points of the compass, and then from it, as a basis of operations, two systems of streets and avenues were described. The streets were all made to run due north and south, and east and west, and the avenues were laid out to run diagonally across the streets, starting from the Capitol as a focus, like the spokes

of a wheel from the hub. A somewhat similar effect would be had in New York If a series of such avenues were started from from Madison square on a still sharper angle than that made here by Broadway. Nothing could be simpler than this, and if M. L'Enfant had put aside his compasses and parallel rulers all would have been well. But the passion of perspective and vista was upon him. The great avenue of all—"The Avenue," as it is fondly and technically called by Washingtonians-was to (and does) lead from the Capitol with a clear and unbroken width of 160 feet to the Treasury and White House; and in order, perhaps, to give added dignity to that location, the President's mansion was made a second focus or hub from which a second series of avenues or spokes was started. The Sun's resident

readers will understand what this resulted in by imagining Pennsylvania avenue to run from Madison square to Bryant square, and that Bryant square then became the starting point second set of diagonal avenues similar to the Madison square set. Of course, in many instances the second set of avenues would cross the lines of the first set, and this is what happened in Washington.

Even then the Frenchman's fever did not abate. A third focus for a third series of diag-onally running avenues was set down to the east

two avenues-Massachusetts and Virginia ave-

one on each side of Broadway's diagonal sweep,

had been drawn from the Hudson slantwise

avenues-were run up from the Potomac River

to the hills back of the city, just as though a

gig antic St. Andrew's cross had been laid over

New York. Then, as a final effort of his genius

Pierre L'Enfant ruled in Rhode Island avenue, running, as it were, from the Grand Central

Depot to Tompkins square. It will be understood that as a result of his labors the ingenious

engineer had really managed to plan two towns; one the plain town of rectilineal streets, and the

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They assume a risk of life or limb in the verformance of their duties. One is the preservator of the peace and the protector of the lives and property of our citizens; the other protects and property from the ravages of the elements. The policeman needs be argue eved for the evildoer; the fireman should be watchful to restrain the winged serpent of fire. All these things should they do for the common welfare of the people who maintain them, and who, in their sovereignty, empower them to guard their cherished heritages of peace, prosperity, and contentment, so far as policemen and firemen can in their respective spheres.

Regarding a policeman as occupying the same relation in the judicial eye as the fireman, we have the authority of the Court of Appeals for the position here maintained, to wit: That a policeman is not a public officer within the intent of the section quoted by Superintendent Hyrnes.

In the case of the People agt. Pinckner, 32 N. Y., page 39d, it was there contended that a fireman was a public officer within the purview of the Constitution. The Court thus disposes of the Poople agt. Pinckner, 32 N. It would astonish a lifetime fireman of New York to be told that he had been all the while a public offi-cer; and if the firemen were not public officers, neither were the persons selected from themselves to superin-tend them in the performance of their labors and duties. Officers they were in respect to their relations to the subordinate members of the department, and in the sense in which that term is used to indicate that rejust as though Union square had been selected by the Commissioners for the third hub of a on, but never in the civil and public sense in which third radiation of avenues in New York. But it is used in the tenth article of the Constitumore was to come. Across, clear across the city from end to end, from Rock Creek to the

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Ride Free on Street Cart.

In a recent case the Court of Appeals, 93 N.Y., p. 320, approves and reasserts the doctrine in above case in these words (referring to firemen): Eastern Branch, right over the rectineal streets, They are not civil or public officers within the con-stitutional meaning, and yet must be regarded as the agents of the municipal corporation. The Court went on to consider their duties and obligations to the municipalities, and sums up with these words: across town to the East River. To offset these, two other avenues—New Hampshire and Georgia

They were, at least, a public body, and perhaps are best described as aubordinate governmental agency. It is well known that the amendment to the Constitution was not intended to embrace within its provisions the common patrolmen on the police force of our cities. It was intended to remeiy an evil existing in the legislative and executive branches of our Government, whereby the officers of those departments availed themselves of free passes and free transportation afforded them and their friends by the various railroads of the State for favors and protection accorded them in return. The term "public officers" applies to the many important offices within the gift of the people or their duly elected representatives, as Judge Barnard's clear exposition of section 18, Article III., of the Constitution, will disclose. It attaches to positions possessing greater dignity and importance than the menial capacity of the police patrolman. It would, therefore, behove Mr. Byrnes to rescind his order, and thus relieve the minds of the rank and file of the Police Department of any anxiety as to additional expense to that now imposed on them. The order was unwarranted. New York, Dec. 29.

one the plain town of rectilineal streets, and the other the town of radiating avenues superimposed upon it; a cobweb on a checker-board.

There is a pretty well accepted idea that the avenues were designed as much to facilitate the control of the city by troops as for beauties of promenade, and that the reservations at their intersections were intended for parks of artiliery. But whatever may have been the engineer's plans, the reservations, whether squares, circles, or triangles, are now spots of embellishment, and Washingtonians are never weary of boasting of the beauty and perfection of their city's plan.

tires after thirty years' service, was carried to Liberta from the United States something more than forty years ago. He received his early training in Grand Bassa county, under the Rev. John H. Cheeseman, the father of the present President of the republic, and is

Considerable opposition to the proposed separate exhibit at the Atlanta Inter-State and International ustly discriminated against by the laws of Georgia Although Afro-Americans never get a fair show when left to take their chances as others in such exposi-tions, a majority of them appear to be opposed to

"separate exhibits" and "colored people's day."

The Afro-American politicians of Kanaas, who are
almost as numerous as the white politicians of Ohlo, sually fall to their share when a Republican Leris

unmistakably to razors and arnica.

The American Logic is the screaming title of a new Afro-American newspaper, published at St. Louis, appropriately edited by a Missouri hayseed named Mr. R. C. O. Benjamin, who has conducted a news-

paper in Washington, practised law in Alabama, Texas, and Rhode Island, and been a presiding elder of the African Methodist Episeopal Zion Church in California, wants to be Chaplain of the next House of Representatives. The aspiration has at least the saving

beef different nati-count initiates on the different party of the sevenue N. W. and Mow dersey accuse S. E. Maryland avenue N. E. and Maryland avenue S. E. Maryland avenue N. E. and Maryland avenue S. E. Maryland avenue N. E. and Maryland avenue S. E. Maryland avenue N. E. and Maryland avenue S. E. Maryland avenue N. E. and Maryland avenue S. E. Maryland avenue N. E. and Maryland avenue S. E. Maryland avenue N. E. and Maryland avenue S. E. Maryland avenue N. E. and Maryland avenue S. E. Maryland avenue N. E. and Maryland avenue N. E. About in Washington, but there are other constitution of the street and avenues in responsible. For example, you start to walk across town on L. street going west. After walking four since by New York avenue running obliquely across it and that the interection is marked by a little park. But when you reached the street has dropped down walk along westward on this pew L street has long to the street and you walk along westward on this pew L street has you walk along westward on this pew L street has dropped down with a street has dropped down you walk along westward on this pew L street has the couragements, at the moment of the national you walk along westward on this pew L street has dropped down you walk along westward on this pew L street has dropped down and the street has dropped down and the street has dropped down you walk along westward on this pew L street has dropped down and the stree quality of freshnoss.

Eureka Lodge, F. and A. M. of Rochester, N. Y., has appointed a committee to solicit funds for the purpose of srecting a monument in that city to the memory of the Afro-American soldiers who fell in the war. Mr.

POLICEMEN AND THE NEW CONSTI- | THE DEMANDS OF JAPAN

OPPRESS CHINA. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: "Members of the police force are public officers," says to Will Claim a Large Indemnity, but Will Be Careful Not to Affect Foreign Interests in China-The Siteatton in Pokin as Beaeribed by an American. Superintendent Byrnes in a pronunciamiente bidding them to ride free on street cars, in ac-LONDON, Dec. 29,-The Japanese Government cordance with his interpretation of the new has made no response to the fresh suggestions from the British Government that the terms In declaring that members of the police force upon which Japan is willing to treat for peace are public officers he has no doubt taken his cue with China ought to be communicated to the powers. On the contrary, the Japanese have from a legal dictum delivered by Judge Ingraham while counsel in Capt. Stephenson's case persisted in maintaining a policy of reticence.
The British Minister at Tokio has been unable were arguing that he was not a public officer. The Judge is reported as having interrupted them to ask: "If a policeman is not a public to get the alightest scrap of official information upon the subject of the conditions for which Japan will contend, and the Japanese Embassy This, to my mind, is not decisive of the quesin London is equally secretive. The latter, it is tion. Moreover, it cannot be said to be in line with the decisions of the courts of this State on true, has some knowledge of the situation, but it is partly of a negative and partly of a positive character. The Embassy is free, however, in discrediting the recent cablegrams attributing to lic officer within the meaning of the Constitu-tion arose in the case of Shanley agt, the City Japan the design of forcing an alliance with

of Brooklyn, 30 Hun., 398, where Presiding Jus-tice Barnard, sitting in General Term of the Supreme Court, Second Department, said: China against the European powers. The leading principle of the peace negotiations between the two Eastern empires, as far as Japan is concerned, will be a total abstention from any demand which would give China an I do not think patrolmen on the police force of cities come within the constitutional provisions. The evil aimed at by that amendment was a general one, applying to "public officers during the term for which said officers are elected or appointed." This had fufreness to those self-known State and county offices which were elective or filled by appointment for a certain time. Policemen were local and not the subexcuse to ask for European intervention. Japan, therefore, will not etipulate for any ter-ritorial or commercial acquisitions in which the other powers are directly interested. Formosa will be taken by Japan as part of a pledge for war indemnity, and certain Chinese ports that are not treaty ports will be held as a pledge for the remainder of the indemnity, together with such a lieu upon the Chinese customs as will not prejudice the customs revenues already mortgaged. In regard to Corea, it is probable that a Chino-Japanese dual control over that country will be proposed.

These terms, which are divulged by the Japanese Embassy, are a great deal more moderate than those described in the sensational cablegrams received here from Tokio and elsewhere, and have the stamp of belief in diplomatic circles. lect of general laws, nor even of a fixed tenure in office. The position of a policeman is analogous to that of a fireman. They derive their powers from the same source. Their duties are public. They are both required to be always on duty.

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A despatch to the Central News from Tokio anys that, with a view of maintaining discipline and pacifying the district of Liao-Tong, Field Marshai Oyana has established a civil administration at Kinchow similar to that established at Antong by the commander of the first army. The administration at Antong has been in operation since Dec. 16.

Boston, Dec. 29.—The Missionary Herald, issued to-day, contains letters from China. The Rev. Mr. S. Ament, writing from Pekin, says: "We are having exciting times in Pekin, Rumors of the advance of the Japanese on Pekin create a forment in all minds. No one among foreigners fears the Japanese on pekin create a forment in all minds. No one among foreigners fears the Japanese only pandemonium may break loose among the bad element in the city. The Chinese magistrates give the most sincere offers of protection, and, without doubt, will do all they can. The British Minister has ordered all English women and children to leave the city and seek refuge somewhere down the coast. Some American families are leaving, and some have thrown themselves into the legation, not greatly to the delight of our officials there.

"I am glad to any not one of the American Board m Issionaries counsels or even thinks of retreat at the present juncture. No real danger presents itself as yet. The people are rapidly learning the distinction between Japanese and other foreigners. On the streets I can discover no special exhibition of dislike. In fact, the more intelligent Chinese know it to be to their interest to treat us kindly. I think they will do so. We all hope to remain, unless it becomes manifestly rash to do so."

AMBRICAN CHINESE STUDENTS. Naval Battle of the Yalu.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.-The Department of State has received from Minister Denby an account of the career of thirty Chinese boys who were sent to the United States in 1872 and subsequently to be educated under the charge of Yung Wing, a Yale graduate. Charges that the boys were becoming alienated from Chinese customs led to their recall in 1881, and the idea of educating boys in America was abandoned by American Minister reported some years ago the the battle with the French at Foo Chow, where fords him pleasure now to report the distin-American students in the great naval battle of the Yalu on Sept. 17 last. Out of ten persons recommended for distinction by Li Hung Chang. our were New England Chinese students. Minister Denby gives the details in regard to them

"Wo Yin To studied at Sheffield Scientific School, in New Haven. Since 1882 he has served

"Tsu Chung Tong studied in a Massachusetts academy, and has been in the northern squadron since 1882. His brevet is of the same rank as that of Tsoa Kan Cheong, and he is the first officer of one of the cruisers. Shun Son Quan studied in a Connecticut school, and has reached the captaincy and red button of second rank. He is first-officer of one of the ironclads and chief of the gunnery department. Two other American students have lost their lives and gained posthumous honors.

"Chin Jin Quai studied at North Hadley, and was in the class of 1892 at Phillips, Exeter. He was first officer of the steel cruiser Chih-Yuen, which was sunk by Japanese shells. Among the dozen men saved was Chin Jin Quai, but he had lost an arm in the fight and died next day and wassburied with honors. Shun Son Cheong studied in a Massachusetts school. He served in the torpedo service on the Chih-Yuen, and was killed while escorting the Kow-Shing troopship."

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Minister Denby says these distinguished examples sufficiently show that an education in the United States does not diminish the patriotism or bravery of Chinese students, and declares that he will take occasion subsequently to call the attention of the Tsung-Li-Yamen to the record as an inducement to China to revive the educational system whose results have thus been shown to have been so successful.

John W. Foster Starts for Japan.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.-The Hon. John W. Foster left Washington this morning for Chicago, en route to Tokio or Hiroshima, probably the latter city, where he will join the Chines the latter city, where he will join the Chinese envoys who go to arrange terms of peace with Japan. Mr. Foster was accompanied to the station by Mr. Yang Yu, the Chinese Minister, who is said to have suggested to his Government the desirability of securing Mr. Foster's services as counsellor to the envoys. Mr. Foster was advised before leaving of the departure of the Chinese envoys, but he expects to arrive at Tokio or Hiroshima as early as they. It is said that Japan will not abate any of the vigor heretofore shown in prosecuting the war until the terms of peace are concluded.

appointed Her in Marriage.

Sr. Louis, Dec. 29.-Charles W. Hill of Chicago left that city on Dec. 22 to go to Brooklyn, where he was to wed Miss Ella Morton on and detectives were employed to find him. Yes-terday J. W. Morton and daughter of Brooklyn arrived here and a detective brought the three together at the Planters' Hotel. A new date was set for the wedding. Hill's friends say he endeavored to increase his forture and lost all. This caused his disappearance.

A gentleman who was taking supper at Delmonico's last night after the theatre threw a monico's last night after the theatre threw a lighted match on the floor, setting fire to the curtains on a window at the Broadway and Twenty-sixth street corner of the cafe. The curtains were destroyed, and the blaze they made was so hot as to crack one of the large pance of glase in the window. The incident caused only momentary alarm among those who were in the cafe.

DUNKIRK, Dec. 29.-Fred Beagle, wanted in Jamestown on suspicion of being the murderer of the two Shearman women of Bushti, was agreested at the house of his brother-in-law John Lechner, by Officers Bratey and Walter, acting under the instructions of Chief of Pulice Quirk, at about 11 c clock to-night.

Counterfette In Totodo. TOLEDO, Dec. 29. - Every bank in Toledo to

exercising pre-autions in watching for counter-feit \$2 bills. The bills were offered at no less than seven leanks yesterday by persons who had received them. The city scene to be flooded with them.

From Fours Depice.

Mrs. Jimpaon. Inna'l you think. Mr. Jimpaon. is would be a great benefit to our thoughter if the week to finish her singless to make about 1 the would be a great enter to me.

MUSIC AND MUSICIANS.

New Operas This Week-Cast of " Lee Mu-

-denn de Reezko an an Instructor,

IT IS SAID SHE WILL NOT GREATLY Three operas will be sung this week for the first time during the present season. They are "Don Glovanni," to be given to-morrow night, and "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "I Pagliacci" on Friday evening. In the Mozart opera Mmes. Eames and Nordica will be heard in the roles they sang last winter. Miss de Lussan will be Zerlino, and the most interesting feature of the performances promises to be the Don Giovanni of Maurel. Signor Russitano will sing Don Ottario and Edouard de Reszke's splendid performance of Leporello is already familiar here. In the Mascagni opera Mile. Heller will sing Santuzza, a part for which she established her capacity within the limited opportunity of a concert per formance, Signor Tamagno will be Turiddu, Signor Bensat le Alfle, and Mile, de Vigne Lois. In "I Paglisoci" Miss de Lussan will have an In "I Pagliacci" Miss de Lussan will have an opportunity in the rôle of Nedda, which is said to have brought her credit in London. Others in the cast are MM. Russitano, Ancona, Gromzeski, and Vanni, On Weinesday evening "Otello" will be sung with the cast which has given it before, including MM. Maurel, Tamagno, and Mauguière, and Mmes. Eames and Mantelli. Saturday afternoon will see the second performance of "Elaine," with MM. Jean and Edouard de Reszke, Plançon, and Mauguière, and Mmes. Melba and Mantelli again engaged in its interpretation. Signor Mancinelli, who calls the opera "cau sucré," will conduct. "Carmen" will be the opera at the popular performance on Saturday night, when the programme will be varied by the substitution of Signor Russitano for Jean de Reszke, Signor Ancona for Edouard de Reszke, and Miss Lucile Hill for Mme. Melba. Miss de Lussan will sing Carmen.

The performance of "Les Huguenots" on Thursday evening next will be identical with that of last Wednesday in the matter of famous singers and advanced prices. The cast on Wednesday was as follows:

Valentine ... Marcello M. Edouard de ResskeM. Plancon San Bris Conte di Nevers.
Urbano
Dama d'Onore. Mile. Bauermeister These at least were the efficient artists who took the principal rôles, six of them possessing the highest degree of talent, combined with its absolute perfection of cultivation. The five minor parts were done inefficiently enough to heighten by contrast the magnificent work of the bright particular stars.

The "Huguenots," in spite of what its destractors may aver about it, is one of those operas which fill the mind with an interest from its historical significance, and which has what so many operas lack, a plot which is at once coherent and dramatic. It outlines its characters boidly, Marcello, Raoul, De Nerez, the Queen, and Maryherita being each distinctly individual and strongly defined. They contrast too, in such a manner as to set each other off to advantage. The music of the various roles, too, is admirably fitted to their peculiar traits, and illustrates the personality with clever tone painting. In all the range of operatic writing, for instance, there is no scene more brilliant or more grateful than that of the Queen, there is no song more descriptive than the grim, warlike one, "Piff-Paff," sung by the plous soldier, Marcello; there is no duet more impassioned or more thrilling in its dramatic intensity than the love duet in the fourth act. In the field of operate rule of the "survival of the fittest" holds good, and though there may be splendid works still left unearthed or asleep on the shelves of libraries, yet those that have held and charmed audiences in the past are likely still to do the same thing in the future, and "Les Huguenots" is one of them.

It was an inspiriting thing to hear so many first-rate singers in one evening, and it was a pleasing sight, when the curtain was rolled up in response to applause, to see these great artists line up across the stage from one side to the other in an unbroken phalanx and bow simultaneously. The excellence of the performance almost justified the unusual prices of seats—the fact that the house was crowded fully did so. It woul's seem, however, that operagners are entitled to the best that the management can give them at ordinary prices.

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Miss Siby! Sanderson, who arrives here to day, will make her debut in "Manon," with Jean de Reszke as Des Grieur, and Plancon as Des Grieux, pêre, as well as a brand-new stage School, in New Haven. Since 1882 he has served in the northern squadron. He has been brevetted Commander, with a red button of the second rank, and with special decorations for bravery and good service. Tsoa Kan Cheong studied at North Hadley, Mass. and graduated at Phillips Academy, Exeter, N. H. He has served since 1882 in the northern squadron, and has been brevetted to the rank of Captain, has a red button of the second rank, and now commands a steel cruiser.

"Tsu Chung Tong studied in a Massachusetts academy, and has been in the northern squadron over to the Opera House, but set to assist her. This will be the first performance to assist her. This will be the first performance of Massenet's opera here since it was sung in the old Academy days with Minnie Hauck as Manon and Campanini and Del Puente in the cast. The full score of "Thats," which served to bring Miss Sanderson to the stage of the Grand Opera in Faris, as well as "Esclarmonde," the Massenet opera in which she made her debut at the Opera Comique, and Saint-Saëns's "Phryne" have all been seven over to the Opera House, but coach which will come on the stage at full speed. and Eames for them it is not likely that she will be heard outside of the Massenet opera. Most of the new singers—among those not so well known—are anxious always to make their debuts as Carmen or Mignon, and if their wishes were followed half the season would be taken up with one or the other of the works to which these characters give names.

Verdi's "Falstaff" will probably be sung on Friday, Jan. 11, with a cast that will include MM. Maurel, Russitano, and Campanari, and Mmes. Eames, De Lussan, and Scalchi, Saint-Saëna's "Samson et Dalila," with Signor Tama-gno and Mme. Mantelli in the principal rôles, gno and Mme. Mantelli in the principal rólus, has had several orchestral rehearsals, and the scenery is ready. The tops of the columns which Signor Tamagno will tear down have been made of wicker, but there is still some apprehension that they may fall too heavily on the heads of the chorus, which might not be an unmixed evil. If some of the veterans got them, probably the sensation would arouse them into unaccustomed activity, and if they bounded on the heads of some of the Americans it might subdue their occasional redundant exuberance. In any case, there should be no delay in presenting the opera out of consideration for the chorus. Let the pillars fall on their heads once, and the result can decide what should be done in future productions.

eems to mean the removal of Jean de Reszke's oustache. It was shaved off last season for moustache. It was shaved off last season for "Werther," and must go again this year when he sings the part of the Abbé in "Manon." The tenor expressed his opinion of the value of a high C in Boston last spring after the third act of "Les Huguenots." when the company was singing there. After he sang the note in the duel scene in the third act the Italians in the house called on him in a body to tender their congratulations. When they had gone the tenor's criticism was. "Bonkeys, to think that a high note constitutes a singer's art." He sang the high C, by the way, in the same opera on Wednesday night.

The cost of such a performance as that of Wednesday pight to the management may be

Wednesday night to the management may be estimated when one considers the salaries of some of the individual artists in the cast. Jean de Reazke has no written contract with the sum a percentage of the receipts, which frea night, and with his brother has received as much as \$2,500 for one performance. Mme. Meiba geta \$1,000, and the management values Mme. Nordica's services at \$700 a performance. Maurel geta about the same amount, and the pay of the principals alone for the performance on Weinestay evening was a comfortable sum. Signor Tamagno gets \$1,300 a performance, and Abbey & Grau are wondering yet when he will commonce to draw to the house a small proportion of it. The small attendance at some of the entra performances meant less less to the direction than might be supposed, as the singers who appeared in them were generally engaged by the month and are liable to be called upon at any time. So the real expense of these performances come only from the one or two principal singers in the cast. a night, and with his brother has received as

Herman Bemberg returns to Europe on Wadof his opera here. He is to write the incidental music for Oscar Wilde's "Salome," which Sarah Bernhardt is to act at the Renaissance. Hem-berg is also writing an opera for take. It will be in four short acts and deal with a explicit very different from the beyond of "Blaise."

The public knows Jean do Reszlie as the most valuable artist of the opera company when he appears on the stage of the Metropolitan, but what he accomplishes for the performances at other times is not so generally known, and it deserves to be as much appreciated by the puldeserves to be as much appreciated by the pub-lie as by the particular singure who benealt \$130, for each. I. While, to want light at

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most. Mme. Eames's improvement under his instruction is a well-known fact, and less con spicuous members of the company have this season reason to be grateful to him. Mile. Julia Miramar, who makes her debut to-night, has been under his instruction since her arrival here, early in December, and her afternoon lesson with the tenor in his apartments at the Gilsey House became almost a daily occurrence. Now it is his country-woman, Miss Heller, whom he has taken in charge, and there is no doubt that this young singer will be benefited by the instruction. Jean de Reszke is morcover convinced that she has in her the making of a great singer. But it is not alone the less prominent members of the company that profit by his coaching. The whole of last Nunday afternoon was given up to Mme. Melbs in preparation for the second act of "Les Huguegots," as she had not sung her part for some time, and Mme. Nordica learned through his teaching most that she knows about the role of Valentine in the same opera. spicuous members of the company have this

The second part of the Third Symphony o cert at Carnegie Hall next Friday afternoon and Saturday evening will consist of the first act of Walter Damrosch's opera, "The Scarlet Letter." Mme, Nordica will sing the music of Hester, and the other parts will fall to Signor Campanari, William H. Rieger, Conrad Behrens, and Ericsson F. Bushnell. The chorus will be sung by the chorus of the Oratorio Society. The first ack, which will be sung in concert form, opens in the market place in the old town in Boston, and shows the prison, the Council hall, and the meeting house. It begins with the demands of the crowd for the death of Hester and closes with the discovery by Chillingworth of Himmestale's guilt. The scene from the second act consists of a song for Hester and a chorus of pligrims. It is to be regretted that the work will not be heard in operatic form, but it is certain to have a warm welcome. George Parsons Lathrop was formerly credited with the book of the opera. As Max Alvary is reported by the German newspapers to be learning the role of Dimmestale, it may be that the opera will have a production in its proper form later. The first half of the programme will consist of Mozart's Third Symphony in the Brettkopf and Haerter edition. rens, and Ericsson F. Bushnell. The chorus will

Mile. Miramar will make her debut to-night at the concert, and will sing the "Rondo Finale" from "La Sonnambula." She is a beginner who decided that America was the place for he to make a reputation. She looked up Maurice Grau when he was in Paris, and informed him with so much emphasis of her intention of com-ing to sing in his company that before he realized it she was under contract with him for three years. She is a Spaniard, still very young. three years. She is a Spaniard, still very young, and studied in Paris with Mme. Arto. It is believed that her début to-night will develop a very useful member of the company. Her singing of colorateur music is said to be remarkable for so young an artist. She is Miss de Lussan's understudy as Naunctie in "Falstaff," and will later be heard as Miracle. Mme. Nordica will sing to-night "Plus Grand Dans Son Obscurité" from Gounod's "Reine de Saba" and Délibes's "Fille de Cadix." Ysaye will play Wieniawski's second violin concerto and a selection from Vieuxtemus. Miss Lucile Hill and MM. Mauguière and Hensaude will sing four numbers from Leoncavallo's "I Fagliacci." The orchestra, under Mr. Seidl's leadership, will play the overture to "The Magic Flute," two movements from Rubinstein's "Bal Costumé," and two selections by Volkmann and Herbert.

He began last week an extensive European tous which will take him pretty much all over England and the Continent, and will keep him bus for at least the next three months. Last week he was in Holland, and next week he begins his he was in Holland, and next week he begins his tour in Great Britain. He will play almost daily in England and Scotland from Jan. 10 to Feb. 9, visiting most of the principal cities, and will then go to Germany. He will play in Dresden and in Leipzig, and then go to Budapeat, where he will appear with Nikisch. After filling an engagement in Vienna he is to go to Spain, and his engagements in that country will occupy almost the whole of March, after which he will again go to England to begin another tour there.

NOTES OF MUSIC EVENTS.

Engene Veave is to give his first recital in Carnesi Hall on Tuesday afternoon of next week, Jan. 8. He will be assisted by Miss Theodora Pfafflin and M. Alme Lachaune, and a very interesting programme has been arranged.

The third Seldi Society concert of this season is to be given in the Brooklyn Academy of Music next Felday evening, and it promises to be an event of unusual in terest. The soloist is to be Eugene Ysaye, the cele-brated violinist, who is to play two numbers, a Men-The occuestra, under the direction of Anton Seidi, is to play Beethoven's second symphony, Wagner's "Pu-neral Music," written in memoriam for Carl Maria Weber; an excerpt from Nicodé, and Strauss's sym-phonic poein, "Death and Giorification."

Bernhard Stavenhagen and Jean Gerardy are to give

An extra performance of the "Messiah" is to be given by the Oratorio Society, under Mr. Damrosch's Direction, on Suniay evening next, Jan. 6, at Carnegie Hall. The soloists will be Mms. Nordica, Mas Carloisa Dawignes, Mr. Henderson, and Mr. Ericsson Bushnell.

Mr. H. E. Kr-heliel will give his lecture on the third concert programmie of the New York Symphony Society in the parior of Carnegie Hall next Thursday afternoon at Bociock. He will seture on Mr. Damfosch's new opera, "The Scarlet Letter," which is to have its first rectial presentation at the next concert of the society, and Mr. Damrosch will play excerpts from his work on the plano in illustration of the fecture. These lectures have been a most interesting and instructive feature of the season's musical events and promise to continue so.

A Sixteen-year-old Girl a Mine Bell Boy. LEADVILLE, Col., Dec. 29 .- Among yester day's departures for the East were Mrs. J. R. Reims and daughter of Boston. Local detectives yesterday found Gertie, the sixteen-yearold daughter of Mrs. Reims, who ran away from old daughter of Mrs. Reims, who ran away from her home in Boston eight months ago. The girl was traced to Leadville by her mother. Gertie ran away to be a ballet girl. She worked in Denver and Kanasa City and finally came to Leadville. Not being satisfied with concert hall ballet dancing, she donned boys clothing and got a place as call boy at a mine, and it was there that she was found.

Surveying the Old Constitution

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Dec. 29.-The Board apsointed by Secretary Herbert to make a survey of the frigate Constitution met at the Navy Yard this morning and began work. The Board consists of Capt. George C. Remey. Naval Con-structors Hoover and Hanscom, and the foreman attached to the yard. It is expected that the Board will be in session for several days. Murdered His Wife and Milled Himself.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 29 .- Albert Murdoch, brother of Mrs. Jenks, the celebrated witness pefore the Congressional committee in recon-truction days, murdered his wife and then committed suicide here to-day. He was a shift-less, restless man, and very quarrelsome.

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